The Public Service Commission convened on April 29, 2020, 10:01 a.m. via teleconference under North Dakota Executive Order 2020-16 in response to the COVID-19 crisis in the United States. Present were Commissioners Kroshus, Fedorchak and Christmann. Commissioner Kroshus authorized John Hamre to sign on his behalf, Commissioner Fedorchak authorized Shelly Bauske to sign on her behalf, Commissioner Christmann authorized Esther Jochim-Peck to sign on his behalf, and Steve Kahl, Executive Secretary, authorized Matthew Kluzak to sign on his behalf.

Minutes

Case No. PU-20-179 Northern States Power Company Meter Reading Waiver Approval

Case No. PU-18-280 Emmons-Logan Wind, LLC Emmons-Logan Wind Energy Center -Emmons & Logan Siting Application

Case No. PU-18-405
Belle Fourche Pipeline Company
6-inch Skunk Hill-DPR Pipeline
Conversion Project
Siting Application

Mr. Kroshus: I move the minutes of April 15 and 20, 2020, be approved.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Kroshus: Finding that a state of emergency has been declared to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19, I move the Commission approve the suspension, from April 14, 2020, through May 31, 2020, of Northern States Power Company meter readings at locations where automated electric meter reading is not possible, and authorize estimate meter reads for those locations, Northern States Power Company, Meter Reading Waiver, Approval, Case No. PU-20-179.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Ms. Fedorchak: I move that the Commission adopt the Order on Consent Agreement in Emmons-Logan Wind, LLC, Emmons-Logan Wind Energy Center – Emmons and Logan Counties, Siting Application, Case No. PU-18-280.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission approve the withdrawal of Belle Fourche's February 24, 2020 Amended Consolidated Application for a certificate of corridor compatibility and route permit, in Belle Fourche Pipeline Company, 6-inch Skunk Hill-DPR Pipeline Conversion Project, Siting Application, Case No. PU-18-405.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-19-368
ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, L.L.C.
16-Inch NGL Pipeline - Williams
County
Siting Application

Case No. PU-19-369
Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
Robinson Lake Oil Conditioning Mountrail County
Siting Application

Case No. PU-09-244 Otter Tail Power Company 40.5 MW Langdon Wind - Cavalier Cty. Decommissioning Plan & Cost

Case No. PU-09-245 Otter Tail Power Company 48 MW Ashtabula Wind - Barnes Cty Decommissioning Plan & Cost

Case No. PU-18-343 Otter Tail Power Company 49.5 MW Luverne Wind Farm (Ashtabula II) - Griggs Decommissioning Plan & Cost

**ATTEST** 

Executive Secretary

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission approve the tree and shrub clearing expansion request filed April 17, 2020 in ONEOK Bakken Pipeline, L.L.C., 16-Inch NGL Pipeline – Williams County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-19-368.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission accept the Order Adopting ALJ Recommended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, in Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation, Robinson Lake Oil Conditioning Facility – Mountrail County, Siting Application, Case No. PU-19-369.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission approve the self-guarantee filed on April 10, 2020, in Otter Tail Power Company, 40.5 MW Langdon Wind - Cavalier Cty., Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-09-244; approve the self-guarantee filed on April 10, 2020, in Otter Tail Power Company, 48 MW Ashtabula Wind - Barnes Cty., Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-09-245; and approve the self-guarantee filed on April 10, 2020, in Otter Tail Power Company, 49.5 MW Luverne Wind Farm (Ashtabula II) - Griggs, Decommissioning Plan & Cost, Case No. PU-18-343.

Ms. Fedorchak: I second the motion. Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:02 A.M.

BRIAN KROSHUS, CHAIRMAN